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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Borge KRINGELUM et al.

Title: METHOD FOR SUPPLY OF  
STARTER CULTURES HAVING A  
CONSISTENT QUALITY

Appl. No.: 09/813,292

Filing Date: 03/21/2001

Examiner: Ruth A. Davis

Art Unit: 1651

**CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING**  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- Small Entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity statement previously submitted.
- Small Entity statement is enclosed.
- The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Additional Claims Fee
Total Claims:	26	-	26 = 0	x \$18.00 =	\$0.00
Independents:	1	-	3 = 0	x \$84.00 =	\$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:			+ \$280.00 =		\$0.00
			CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:	=	\$0.00

- Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$110.00	\$0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$400.00	\$400.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$920.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,440.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$1,960.00	\$0.00
	EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:		\$400.00
	CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:		\$400.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):		\$0.00
	TOTAL FEE:		\$400.00

- Please charge Deposit Account No. 06-1447 in the amount of -0-. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.
- A check in the amount of \$400.00 is enclosed.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1447. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1447.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date December 19, 2002

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